

# Prayer, Does It Make Difference

## Week 7

### Prayer Dilemmas (Chapter 16-17)

Unanswered prayers can threaten our faith. When we pray and do not get the results we expect, some will turn away from God. There is an inconsistency in the answers to prayers. There are millions of answered prayers and as many unanswered prayers. It is good to know why our prayers are not answered the way we want. It also may require us to reevaluate what we see as answered and unanswered prayer.

Sometimes our prayers are not answered the way we want for several reasons

- A fault in the one who prays
- God's respect for our freedom
- Dark powers at work in our world
- The sin in this world (Disease, violence, ...)

Sometimes it is none of these, it is just not God's will for you. And this is very hard to understand sometimes. But right now the best thing you can do is develop a better prayer life. And that is by developing a better relationship with God. Quiet looking at God as a genie to grant your wishes but a God that is in full control of our lives. A God who loves you and wants to be with you. Learn to talk to God not use God.